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HONG KONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 1930.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR — The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/3 1/4.

PRICE \$3.00 Per Month.



Dainty Glasses

N. LAZARUS

Ophthalmic Optician

13, Queen's Road Central.

SLIGHT RISE IN THE DOLLAR.

Pertinent Question in House of Commons.

LORD PASSFIELD "ANXIOUS."

Government's Eyes on the Local Commission.

The dollar rose to 1/3 1/4 to-day, thus dispelling the reported opinion of local brokers that the chances of a further slump were possible. The market is reported to be getting firmer.

The fall in the price of silver in Hong Kong was the subject of a question in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. Herwald Ramsbotham, O.B.E., a Director of Imperial Ceylon Tea Estates, Ltd., who emphasised that the slump was prejudicing the economic situation in certain parts of the British Empire. "Does the Secretary of State for the Colonies," he demanded, "propose to consider placing Hong Kong on a gold basis?"

The answer was that Lord Passfield was "anxious," but was relying for information on the findings of the Commission appointed in April by the Hon. Mr. Wilfred T. Southorn.

THE CURRENCY COMMISSION.

London, Yesterday. A pertinent question was raised in the House of Commons to-day by Mr. Herwald Ramsbotham, O.B.E., who is a Director of Imperial Ceylon Tea Estates, Ltd., and the British Overseas Stores, Ltd.

Drawing attention in his speech to the drastic fall in the price of silver, Mr. Ramsbotham declared: "It is prejudicing the economic situation in parts of the British Empire."

Addressing the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies (Mr. William Dunn), the speaker demanded:

"Does Lord Passfield propose to consider placing Hong Kong on a gold basis?" Such action, he added, would temporarily assist Civil Servants who are paid on a silver basis.

Relying on behalf of the Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. William Dunn said:

"Lord Passfield has been watching events in Hong Kong with some anxiety."

He pointed out that a Currency Commission was appointed by the Acting Governor in April, to enquire into the currency situation, and that the results of its findings "might be expected" to furnish valuable material for the fullest consideration of the problem by the Secretary of State for the Colonies."

Lord Passfield's advisers had pointed out that public servants in Hong Kong were already receiving increased compensation.

— Reuter.

The Local Committee.

In April of this year the Government of Hong Kong appointed a Currency Commission to enquire into the problem, and this was constituted as follows:

The Colonial Treasurer (Mr. C. M. Messer, O.B.E.), Chairman;

Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D. (Hon.);

Mr. W. J. Breen;

Mr. C. G. S. Mackie;

Mr. A. H. Ferguson;

Mr. V. M. Grayburn;

Mr. D. O. Russell;

Mr. C. Champkin;

Mr. T. Megarry (Secretary).

Terms of Reference.

The terms of reference are:

1.—Is the present currency the most advantageous for the purpose of the trade of this Colony?

2.—In what respects, if any, is the present currency situation in the Colony unsatisfactory?

3.—If the situation is unsatisfactory in what way can it be remedied?

4.—Is the premium on notes over silver detrimental to the prosperity of the Colony? If so, can it be controlled and by what means?

5.—Is the linking of the currency with silver advantageous to the Colony? If so, can it be more closely linked?

6.—Is it desirable to the interests of the Colony that the value of the dollar be stabilised? If so, can any effective steps be taken to that end?

Chinese Views.

At the request of the Currency Commission, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce was asked recently to give its views on the currency problem of the Colony. This subject was exhaustively discussed at a meeting of the Chamber, and the following serves to summarise the views of the Chamber:

PRODUCING MOTOR LICENCES.

HOME SYSTEM SHOULD BE FOLLOWED HERE.

MAGISTRATE'S EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Horace Lo to-day appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell to defend Mr. F. Grose, who was summoned for (1) driving eastward along Hollywood Road, which is open for one way traffic only, and (2) failing to produce his driver's licence when called upon to do so by Sergeant Howarth. The offences occurred at 7.30 p.m. last Saturday.

Mr. Lo said that Mr. Grose admitted driving eastward in Hollywood Road, but pointed out that in Schedule "D" of traffic regulations, the road was closed to motor traffic. He did not know if any notification had been issued opening Hollywood Road for one way traffic. He suggested that most motorists were aware that Hollywood Road had recently been open for traffic, but they did not know it was a one way road.

Inspector Alexander told the Magistrate that a notification opening Hollywood Road for westward traffic only was published last year.

ACTION IN CHINA.

Nanking, To-day. The Central Daily News, the official organ, states that the Nationalist Government in the next two or three days is adopting measures to deal with the present silver situation.

Details of the draft proposal are withheld but it is stated that it includes the cancellation of the gold export embargo, the temporary cessation of transactions on the Shanghai Gold Bar Exchange and the adoption of an "imaginairy" gold standard.

Another report is that the Government and the Central Bank of China may buy up all imports of bar silver so that the Government may regulate the amount of silver on the market.—Reuter.

GROSS CONTEMPT.

Learner-Driver's Second Offence.

FACE & LORRY FAMILIAR!

"This is gross contempt of regulations," said Mr. T. H. King, acting I.G.P., to Mr. Lindsell to-day, when he charged a Chinese learner-driver for driving a lorry in Pokfulam Road.

Mr. King said that at about 6.30 p.m. on May 27 he was driving out to inspect the scene of the fatal accident in Sassoon Road when he caught up with a lorry between Ricci Hall and the Chinese Christian Cemetery. The lorry was familiar to him and in passing he noticed that the driver was also familiar.

He drove on round a corner, dismounted, and accosted the defendant, who nearly fell out of his box when he saw him! That very morning, Mr. King explained, he had charged him with a similar offence and his Worship had imposed a fine of \$10.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$30 and warned the defendant that next time he would be fined \$50.

PARKING OBSTRUCTION.

Sergeant Howarth to-day summoned the drivers of three public motor cars with causing an obstruction by parking their cars on the sides of Wing Lok Street. They all admitted the offence.

According to the Sergeant two cars were on one side of the street and the other on the other side. They so effectively blocked the street that the Wing Lok Company's lorry was unable to pass.

The offence was committed at 4.45 p.m. on May 22, and Wing Lok Street is usually a busy thoroughfare at that time.

The Magistrate imposed fines of \$5 in each case.

She said she had turned "twenty-three." I've noticed that many girls do.

If you turn twenty-three, it is easy to see. For answer you'll get "thirty-two."

ROYAL BIRD LOVER.

Ex-King Ferdinand at Dutch Conference.

EAST INDIES TRIP.

Amsterdam, Yesterday. The newspaper Handelsblad learns that ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria who is now attending

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Hong Kong, 10th April, 1930.

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Hong Kong, 1st May, 1930.

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Subscribed Capital Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital Frs. 68,400,000.00
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Current Accounts opened and Fixed
Deposits received for 1 year or
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A. H. FERGUSON,
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Hong Kong, 8th January, 1930.

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CAPITAL:

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Paid-up 4,000,000
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Surplus 2,520,000

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TAN ENG HOOL,
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Central Bank in Formosa.

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Hong Kong, 10th January, 1930.

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LOOK POONG SHAN,
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Hong Kong, 14th May, 1930.

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SHOU J. CHEN,
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Paid Up Capital \$5,000,000

Reserve 1,750,000

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KAN TONG PO,
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Hong Kong, 10th March, 1930.

COMMERCE
AND
FINANCE

OPPIUM CONTROL IN
THE STRAITS.

DROP OF \$4,000,000 IN
REVENUE.

MONOPOLIES REPORT.

The report of Mr. C. Gordon
Wilson, Superintendent of the
Government Monopolies, Straits
Settlements, states that the amount
of raw opium purchased in 1929
was 3,843 chests.

The authorised sale of chandu
took place solely through the
medium of Government shops.
Patronage of the Government
smoking rooms continued to
diminish and practically ceased,
and these were in consequence all
closed in the course of the year.
One retail shop in Singapore was
also dispensed with. On December
31, 1929, only 65 Government
shops remained open.

The net revenue derived from
the sale of chandu was \$8,276,919
as against \$12,322,263 in 1928.
The drop of approximately
\$4,000,000 is mainly due to de-
creased expenditure on purchase of
opium.

Liquor and Tobacco.

Liquor revenue for the year
totalled \$4,718,419.97 as against
\$4,460,910.74 in 1928. The increase
is more apparent than real, as most
of it is accounted for by Penang
toddy rents for the fourth quarter
of 1928 which were not credited
until 1929. A Government toddy
shop was opened in Canal Road,
Singapore, on January 1 and, after
the initial difficulties had been sur-
mounted, proved a success. Pre-
parations were made for opening
four more Government toddy shops
in the beginning of 1930, three in
Singapore and one in Penang, re-
placing eight public licensed
shops.

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SPORT NOTICES

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 7th June, and on MONDAY, 9th June, 1930, commencing at 2 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 per day for Gentlemen and \$2 per day for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1 per day for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, &c. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meetings.

By Order,

C. E. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 31st May, 1930.

COMPANY MEETINGS

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 14th June, 1930, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 9th day of June, to SATURDAY, the 14th day of June, 1930, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hong Kong, 4th June, 1930.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th June, 1930, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th June to, 2nd July, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 28th May, 1930.

THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a MEETING of the DIRECTORS of Hong Kong Telephone Company, Limited held on the 17th day of February, 1930, a Call of \$2.50 per share was made upon all the members holding shares upon which only \$2.50 per share has been paid and that such call will be payable to the Bankers of the Company, The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their head office, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on the 30th day of June, 1930.

By Order of the Board,
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 2nd June, 1930.

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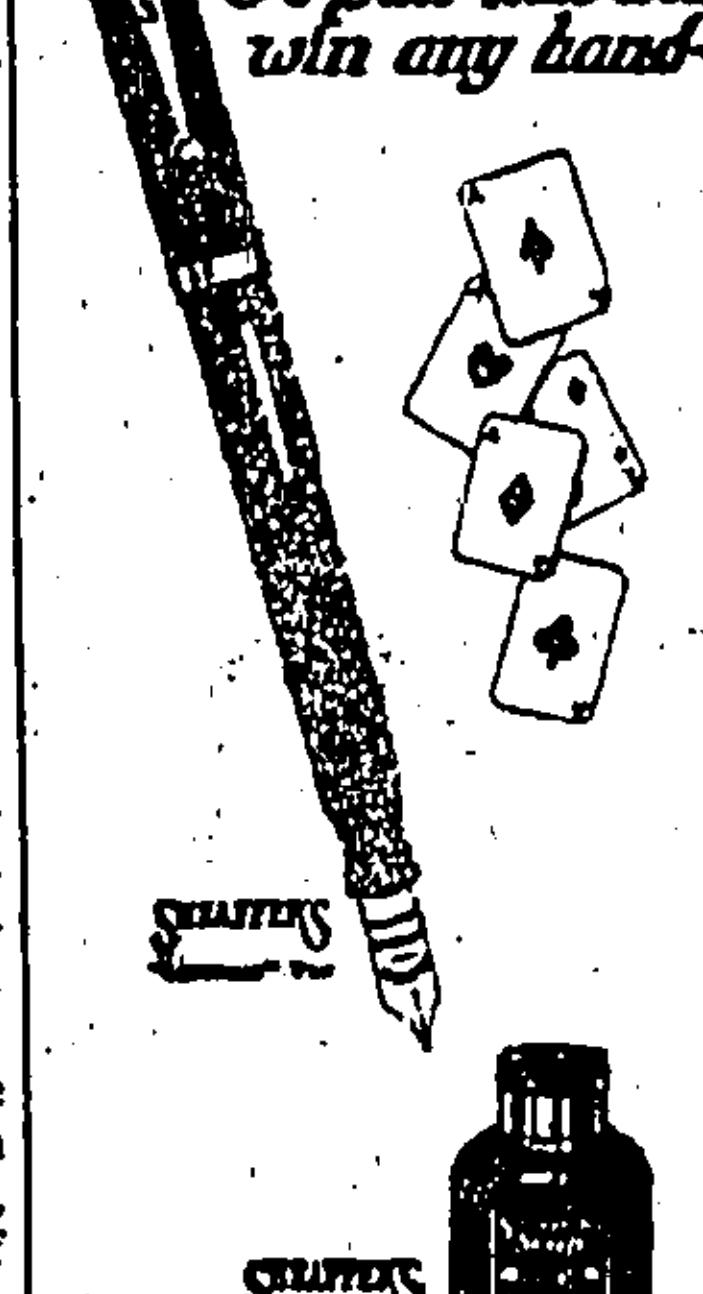
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TACOMA MARU	Wednesday, 18th June.
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.	
AFRICA MARU	Friday, 1st July.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
SYDNEY MARU	Friday, 6th June.
HAINAN—Via Hainan & Pakhol.	
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 12th June.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.	
JAPAN PORTS.	
ATLAS MARU	Monday, 9th June.
BORNEO MARU	Friday, 13th June.
KEELUNG—Via Newton & Amoy.	
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 8th June, 3 p.m.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

SCRAPPING OF SHIPYARDS.

BELFAST BUILDER'S FEAR AND CRITICISM.

Speaking at a luncheon during the trial trip of the new steamer Cefalu in Belfast Lough, on April 23 Mr. William Strachan, managing director of Messrs. Workman, Clark (1928), Ltd., criticised the recently-launched scheme for scrapping redundant shipyards.

"There is much to be said," he declared, "in favour of the amalgamations which have taken place, but scrapping simply because there is an excess of supply under present prices and conditions has personally no favour with me. Such a policy looks to me like admitting defeat and hauling down the flag, and it goes against my grain to do either the one or the other."

"It may appear presumptuous on my part to express an opinion contrary to that of the giants in our industry," he continued "especially when so many of them have associated themselves with the policy of scrapping, but Belfast had an unpleasant experience of the truth of my argument some years ago, when certain mills were scrapped, with the result that the Continental mills were extended, and the last state of those who put up the money was worse than the first, inasmuch as they had to compete with more modern plant than they possessed themselves and against cheaper labour."

United States' Aims.

"I fear the same with the scrapping of shipyards or any other works, especially when we know that in other countries Governments are doing all they can to encourage their industries to beat us. The United States, having overtaken and overcome us in other directions, are obviously out to see that Britannia no longer rules the waves, and to that end they have passed the Jones-White Act and have sanctioned the payment of huge subsidies under the cloak of mail contracts, and have enforced the shipment of goods to even our own Dominions in American bottoms. They are going to spend 16 millions on Atlantic greyhounds without turning a hair while we get excited over the prospect of one new Cunarder."

"While all this and more is going on, our Imperial politicians are busy crushing the heart of our shipowners by the heaviest taxation in the world. When is it all going to end? When is British industry going to get chance to recover its lost position?

"It is little use crying out for the people to buy British goods so long as the law permits foreign goods to be dumped here which serve our purpose at a cheaper price. It is not in human nature to do so, and it is difficult to understand why Mr. Thomas makes such a fuss about the paltry 300,000 tons of steel which he arranged for Canada to order here, when he permits 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 tons to be dumped into the country. Think what it would mean to the coal and steel industries," concluded Mr. Strachan, "if that steel were manufactured at home. I believe that the distress in these industries would vanish, and that a trial of Protection would be well worth while towards that end."

SHIPYARD WAGES.

Employers Reject Claim of Assistants.

The claim for an advance of 4s. a week on the existing rates of wages paid to platers, helpers, and rivet heaters in shipyards was considered at a conference in London last week by representatives of the National Union of General Workers, the Transport and General Workers' Union, and the Shipbuilding Employers Federation. The claim was based on the fact that the class of workmen represented were excluded from the general wage settlement agreed to in 1929, and which came into operation in January and April of this year.

It was contended by the unions that these men were plain time workers and entitled to the advance in wages now claimed. After an adjournment, the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation made the following reply:—"We are still definite of the view that acceptance by the unions of the national uniform wage scheme, including the Federation of Trade, of which both your unions are members, rules out of consideration an application for an increase in wages, not only on behalf of those men who benefited by the scheme, but all men covered by the application in respect to whom a settlement was made until the lapse of at least six months after the first full pay week in April, when the last settlement became completely operative. Apart entirely from this point, the Employers' Federation is not prepared at the present time to agree to the application on behalf of platers, helpers and rivet heaters."

After a further adjournment, the union representatives stated that the reply of the employers was unsatisfactory, and they proposed to report the proceedings to their respective executives. It was agreed that the conference should stand adjourned.

NAVAL BUILDING.

Grandi's Suggestion Not Official.

Paris, Yesterday.

French circles declare that Signor Grandi's suggestion that Italy and France suspend naval building in 1930 was not made officially.

Anyway, the suggestion does not appeal to the French, who consider it favours Italy rather than France.

—Reuter.

MASTERS AND OFFICERS.

A meeting of Hull members of the Mercantile Marine Service Association was presided over by the general secretary (Mr. Thos. Scott). There was a large gathering of masters and officers.

A report of the association's employment bureau proved that the number of members now registered is about double that for the same period of last year. This regrettable state of affairs is undoubtedly due to the alarming number of idle vessels at the various ports. The opinion of shipmasters regarding the advent of motor-lifeboats is that the responsible authority should exercise care to prevent these boats becoming cumbersome.

A matter which has attracted the attention of the association is the sale of obsolete tonnage to foreigners and the success with which these old ships have competed with British ships. It would appear that at last there is a determined effort on the part of influential interests to overcome the evils caused by foreigners purchasing worn-out British ships and running them in competition against Britain.

A resolution supporting the proposal was unanimously carried, and it was remarked that the practice of selling old tonnage to foreigners was a foolish policy, and one that should be condemned.

The secretary intimated to the gathering that action is being taken with regard to the manning of ships and hours of labour at sea.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

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MERCHANT NAVY OFFICERS.

UPHOLDING THE REPUTATION OF ENGINEERS.

DEBATE IN COMMONS.

The following letter appeared in the Journal of Commerce:—Sir,—May I ask the favour of space in your columns concerning a matter of considerable importance to that most indispensable body of men, the engineer officers of the British Merchant Marine? As has been made widely known through the medium of the general Press of the country, assent was given in the House of Commons on the 15th inst.:—

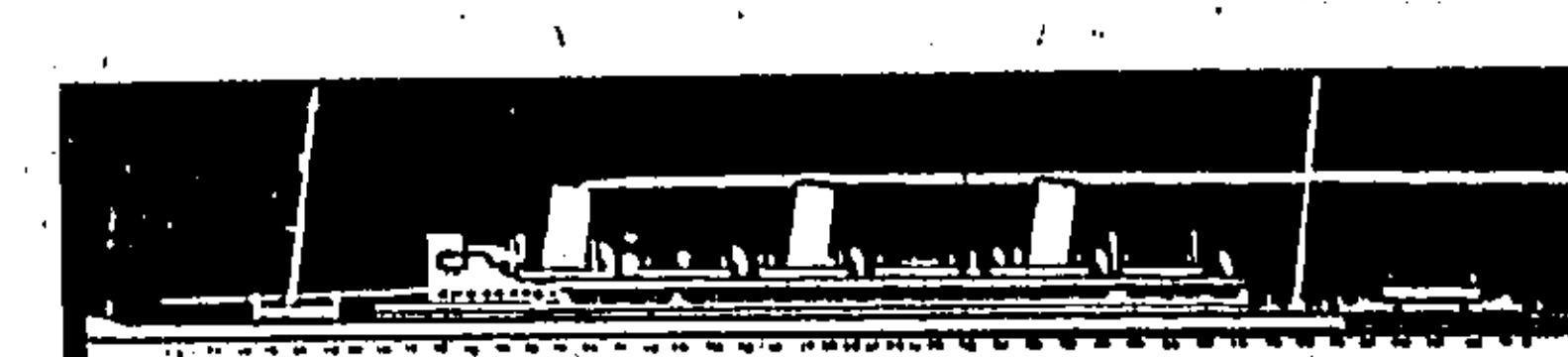
"That leave be given to bring in a bill to enable the Board of Trade to suspend or cancel the certificate of any master, mate or engineer engaging in the illicit importation of intoxicating liquor into the territory of the United States of America."

In introducing the measure, Mr. Foot (according to the Parliamentary Official Report) said that the intention was to give power to the Board of Trade, independent of the action of any foreign court, to withdraw or suspend the certificate of any master, mate, or engineer who knowingly engaged in the traffic. The certificate of these officers was a most precious possession, and should not be used in pursuance of a policy contrary to the declaration of the present Government. The measure was intended to vindicate the integrity of an ancient and honourable calling, to prevent the base misuse of the British flag, and to strengthen the friendly relations between two great peoples.

In opposing the bill, Mr. McQuisen (according to the Official Report) said there were no master or mates engaged in the traffic (the Italies are in all cases my own), and he knew of no case where any British master or British mate had been involved. It was a crime which did not exist among British captains and mates, and it was on behalf of that body of honourable men that he regarded the bill as something in the nature of an insult. He defied the hon. member who had asked leave to bring in the bill to tell him of any British captain or mate (or at least more than one or two out of the tons of thousands) who engage in the industry, and he opposed the bill because he thought it a piece of nonsense that the House should have been asked to waste time upon it.

My purpose in writing now is not to engage in any controversy as regards the merits or demerits of prohibition or to discuss the pros and cons of rum-running, but to point out how regrettable it is that Mr. McQuisen should have confined his remarks in the House of Commons to upholding the reputation of masters and mates only, when engineers are also so clearly struck at by the bill. I am afraid that the omission to utter one solitary word in defence of engineer officers may give rise to grave misapprehension in the mind of the general public.

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*MOREA	10,954	20th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKIWA	7,936	23rd June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KALYAN	9,144	4th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	16,568	18th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	8,985	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANTUA	10,940	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,980	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,954	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MACEDONIA	11,120	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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After sailing in some of the best known Canadian ships in the Pacific and Australian trade and also in the West Indies, he received all his certificates. During his period with sailing vessels that were well known in the old days in Yarmouth—the Kinneys of Yarmouth (Captain George Tooker), the barque Cypress (Captain Alfred Parker), Harriet Campbell (Captain Gray), and others. For some time he was in the employ of Troop and Sons of St. John, in the West Indies trade. His last square-rigger was the American brig Atlanta, which was also in the West Indies trade.

Seventeen Years in One Vessel. Later, he entered the service of the Canadian Government Marine as a Commissioned Officer under the late Captain P. A. Scott, R.N., and Lieut. A. R. Gordon, R.N. In 1887, he joined the Boston and Yarmouth service as chief officer of the steamship Prince Edward, being promoted to the command of the same ship a few months later. Subsequently, Captain Kinney took delivery of the steamer Prince Arthur from the builders in Hull, in which vessel he served continuously for a period of 17 years, never missing a trip during the whole of that time. Being appointed superintendent of the Boston and Yarmouth Steamship Company in 1917, he definitely left the sea.

In addition to his duties with the steamship company, Captain Kinney is interested, says Yarmouth Light, in many of the enterprises which are prominent in the commercial advancement of Yarmouth. In 1926, he was made a director of the Boston and Yarmouth Steamship Company. He is also vice-president of the Yarmouth Cold Storage Co., a director of the Grand Hotel Co., director of the Mary B. Brooks Shipping Co., president of the Lakeside Park Development, and is also interested in many other business endeavours. With all his divergent interests and the demands on his time he has nevertheless found it possible to enter into the civic affairs of the town, and in 1922 was elected to the Town Council. In 1924, he was elected Mayor, and held that position for four years, retiring in 1928.

Few men have had the steady, well-earned success of Captain Kinney—who is an old member of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild—and it is noticeable that in a town that has been noted for its many seafaring men of great ability, he is the second to be given the highest honour the town can bestow, that of Mayor, the first to gain that position being the late Captain Augustus Carr.

EUROPEAN FOUND DEAD.

On the afternoon of May 21 the Singapore Police discovered the body of a European in the deep concrete drain at the junction of Kampong Java Road and Buffalo Road. The Coroner viewed the body and later, a post mortem examination revealed that the deceased had several fractured ribs. Inquiries by the police disclosed that the man was a Dane, and had been living for some days in a Chinese lodging house in Niven Road. An inquiry will be held by the Coroner in due course.—Ex.

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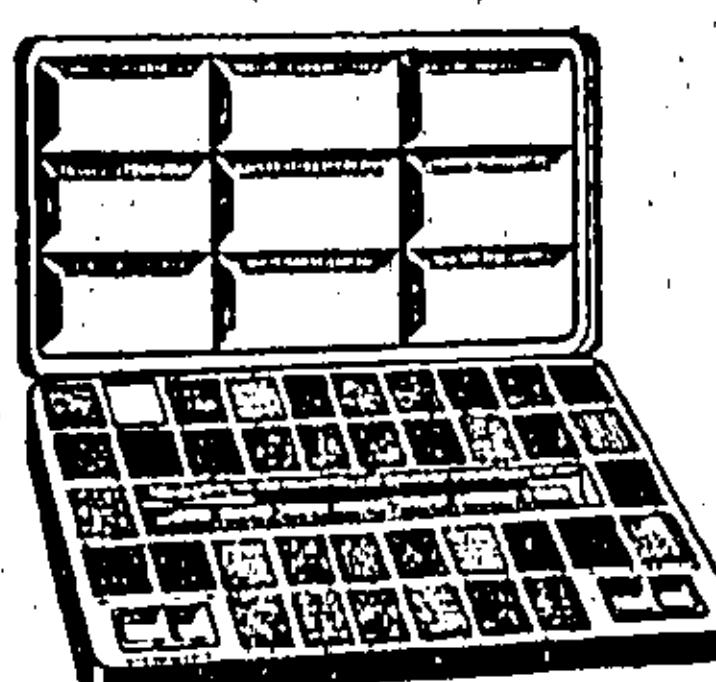
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WE NEED GOLD.

It has been observed almost to the point of weary reiteration that it has been the general policy to regard the affairs of this Colony as inextricably wound up with those of China. Whether due to the entrepot trade, to geographical proximity, or to the large Chinese financial interests in Hong Kong, the public has always regarded as suicidal any movement that was not in step with the trend of affairs in China.

In trade we have developed an "inferiority complex" and are fearful to make the slightest change in case it shall have a prejudicial effect on the market.

Although this Colony is heading straight for bankruptcy, we are too paralysed by forebodings of the future to put the currency where it should be put—on a gold basis.

We make bold to suggest that if such action were taken in Hong Kong there would be only a small and temporary deterioration in the trade with China;

a disadvantage which would soon be adjusted by the economic needs of both countries. China

would be hard hit by the change and would be forced in time to adapt herself to the new currency.

It has been done before elsewhere, where conditions were not entirely dissimilar, and it can be done again. It will never occur whilst this Government follows its present weak-kneed policy of bowing down to the local financial experts. Obviously there is quite a number of persons in this Colony to whom the drop in the exchange has proved in the main

satisfactory element. To take a practical example: — a tea-grower in China has raised his crop in spite of the usual experience of weather and labour difficulties and the endless risks that a planter must face; the tea is then sent to London to take its chance of good or bad prices, and at the same time the planter has a draft to sell representing locally a certain weight of gold; now, in addition to all the risks of weather and trading conditions, and the chances of fluctuations in the tea market, he is compelled to gamble in the metal market on the price of gold.

Some years ago, when a large number of important countries employed a silver standard, it was seriously suggested that a fixed ratio should be agreed internationally at which gold and silver should be exchanged.

This advocacy of bimetallism was especially persistent at a time when silver had suffered a very great fall in price and the prominent exponents could generally be identified either as extremely practical men who were interested in the price of silver, or as very inexperienced theorists.

The difficulty of the two standards was successfully solved by discarding the use of silver, and the chief silver-using countries adopted a gold standard which has given greater security for the investment of foreign capital, has simplified business, and brought about a large increase of trade.

It would perhaps be foolish to imagine that Hong Kong could ever model itself on London, but it is interesting to note the four advantages which have combined to make London an unrivalled financial centre (where bills are an international money) and the best medium of exchange—a free gold market, a huge trade, a large accumulation of wealth, and a discount market such as exists nowhere else.

News in Brief

Mrs. M. de Courcy reported to the Police last night, that she lost a gold brooch, valued at \$20, whilst travelling from the Peninsula Hotel to her residence at 43, Granville Road, on Wednesday night.

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Yesterday afternoon Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith and a Coroner's jury held an inquiry into the death of an earth coolie who was killed by a fall of earth from the hillside at Kowloon Tong, where he was at work with others doing some excavation work on May 12.

After evidence relating to the accident, the inquest was adjourned sine die on account of the absence of the doctor who had performed the post mortem examination.

Mr. Albert Mallinson, Examiner for the Trinity College of Music, London, gave an interesting lecture in the City Hall yesterday.

After tracing the history of the College, the lecturer went on to compliment Chinese pupils on their quick grasp of Western music. He wished to express his praise of the progress they had made. Mr. Mallinson concluded with some valuable advice on the practical side of music and musical appreciation.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MOTOR PERILS.

(To the Editor of "China Mail.")

Sir—I am indignant at the audacity with which "Babs" flaunts his or her conduct. To openly boast that an afternoon of this sort is worth while, is quite beyond me. The impudent suggestion of the purchase of the Masseke came as a shock to me.

Young people of to-day are steadily on the decline and their respect for older and more level-headed people is gone for ever.

Nevertheless a serious motor accident might possibly bring "Babs" back to earth. I do not in any way hope that such a thing might happen, but should the fates decree it, it would be an afternoon well worth while.

Yours etc.,
John Owner.

CHURCH AND STATE.

Malta and the Holy See.

CLAM DISPUTED.

London, Yesterday. As a sequel to the Church and State dispute in Malta, the Foreign Office has issued a Blue Book of ninety-five pages, embodying the correspondence with the Holy See during the past eighteen months.

It states that the Vatican has taken action which constitutes nothing less than a claim to interfere in the domestic politics of a British Colony, especially by declaring that normal relations could not be resumed "so long as those who disturbed the peace remain in power." It appears to His Majesty's Government to be incompatible with friendly diplomatic relations that the Holy See should treat as persona non grata Minister (Lord Strickland) exercising executive functions in British territory, in virtue of the Constitution of that territory.

Meanwhile, the British Minister to the Vatican has returned to England, leaving only a Charge d'Affaires.—Reuter.

ARE YOU A "SALARIED EMPLOYEE"?

(By Elizabeth Monroe.) What is a salaried employee?

The thirteenth International Labour Conference, which opens at Geneva on June 10, has on its agenda the submission of a draft Convention on hours of work for the multitude of callings which come within this category. The preparation of a Convention is a slow business; the Conference itself, which is the labour counterpart of the League of Nations Assembly, meets once a year only. It debates a chosen subject at one session, and draws up a questionnaire to be submitted during the ensuing year to the 55 countries which are members of the Organisation; twelve months later, the next session of the Conference drafts a Convention on the basis of the replies received.

To return to the salaried employee, he swam into prominence on the Conference agenda last year, when the first general discussion on his working hours took place. So variously was he defined that Government were left, in the questionnaire, to cater in their replies for almost any class of worker that they thought fit.

It was agreed that the categories might include workers in any kind of commercial establishment, staff mainly engaged

MR. W. J. DEAKIN.

Presentation at Civil Service Club.

SERVICES AS SECRETARY.

A large number of members of the Civil Service Cricket Club assembled in the pavilion last night under the presidency of His Honour Mr. Justice John R. Wood, M.A., President of the Club, to bid farewell to Mr. John W. Deakin, Hon. Secretary, who is leaving for Home on holiday tomorrow by the P. & O. steamer Rhiva.

Mr. Justice Wood remarked that it gave him the utmost pleasure to mingle with the active members of the Club—the real supporters of the Club—and to associate himself with the greetings of farewell to their Hon. Secretary, Mr. Deakin. The services of Mr. Deakin as Hon. Secretary and in many other capacities for some years had been of great value to the Club. Whilst wishing him a very enjoyable holiday at Home he knew that he was but echoing the sentiment of every member when he said that he hoped that Mr. Deakin on his return would resume his duties as Hon. Secretary. In the meantime he could leave with the satisfaction of knowing that the position would be adequately filled during his absence. The next few months would be very critical ones in the history of the Club. There were important questions to be faced that would require the most careful consideration of all the members.

A Unique Gift.
Proceeding Mr. Justice Wood said that he had been asked, on behalf of the members, to ask Mr. Deakin's acceptance of a little parting gift. It was of a unique nature inasmuch as it could be used either by Mr. Deakin or his wife—(laughter)—but whilst he was told that it was an American idea he hoped that Mr. Deakin would not think them un-British in adopting it.

The presentation took the form of a utility set in gold, comprising a tie pin, ring, and brooch adaptable to the use of a lady or a gentleman.

Mr. Deakin, in responding, remarked that he had always "kicked" against presentation to members going on leave, but having seen that gift he was not going to part with it. (Laughter.) As to being suitable either for himself or his wife, he feared that once it came to his wife's turn that would be an end of it for him. (Laughter.) He much appreciated Mr. Justice Wood's references to his services, but he often felt that he had not done enough. No one with a real interest in the Club could help doing as much for it as he could and as well as he could. He would only be too pleased to take on the duties of Hon. Secretary when he returned—if they would have him.

Tribute to President.
In conclusion he felt that he had to ask the members to pass a vote of thanks to Mr. Justice Wood for the great personal interest that he took in the Club and especially for his personal influence in obtaining a grant of \$10,000 from the Government. (Applause.)

At Government House.

Mr. Deakin, who has been Custodian at Government House since 1919, with a break for military service during the War, has invariably been of great service in the social side of functions at Government House. His experience and enthusiasm as a lawn bowler have also been appreciated by the Hon. Mr. Wilfred T. Southern, C.M.G., in regard to lawn bowls games at Government House and friendly games on the grounds of various Clubs since he first took practical interest in this form of sport.

Mr. Deakin, whose wife and children left for Home at the end of March, will be greatly missed in the present lawn bowl season as a regular playing member of the Civil Service C.C. and as one of the popular "Hillycocks."

Ten Years Ago

(From the "China Mail," June 6, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 4/-

There is a man in Hong Kong who knows all about monkey tea, but it seems impossible to get him to tell. Kelly knows only a part of it, not all, and somebody always interrupted before he gets that part told. The idea is that the coolies take peanuts to the place where the monkeys bring the tea. They retire a little to let the monkeys grab the peanuts, and then rush forward and get the leaves which the monkeys had previously gathered in the unknown wilds and brought along unchewed because they prefer peanuts.

FANTAN AT SEA.

Story of Japanese Prisoner.

"A LUCKY MAN."

An involved story by defendant, which appeared to cause a little confusion between himself and the interpreter, caused Mr. Justice J. R. Wood to order an adjournment of the Tanda murder trial this morning. He ordered the Court to re-assemble at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

His Lordship, after defendant had been in the witness box for some time, intimated that it appeared as if the evidence was hardly "getting to the Court."

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy replied that the story as he had heard it seemed consistent, "but some of it is carried away by the fan."

The defendant could only be followed by the Press with difficulty at times, as on some occasions he would avail himself of his interpreter's services, and at others declined to reply to questions, and to volunteer statements, in English.

That Electric Light.

Before Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jun., opened for the defence, Mr. R. L. Harry, second officer of the Tanda, was recalled. His Lordship wishing to question him as to the lighting in the cabin of the Chinese passenger cook (the victim of the tragedy).

Mr. Harry stated that the door of the cabin was open when he arrived on the scene. It was possible to see into the cabin, as there was a light outside that shone through a grille into the cabin.

Further questioned, witness said that he tried to switch on the light in the cabin. He found that the switch was already turned to the "on" position, which was "down." The bulb was gone from the socket, however.

In answer to Mr. Fitzroy, witness said that the socket was quite free.

To Mr. d'Almada he replied that the switch, when the light was "on" would be turned down.

Fung Sing, assistant cook, recalled, said that the light in the cabins was on day and night. It was never turned off. He did not know whether the victim kept spare bulbs, nor where any could be obtained.

Prisoner's Story.

Yorichi Horii, the defendant, was then called to give evidence on his own behalf. He said that he was 33 years old. Before he came aboard the Tanda he had been employed at the Great Northern Hotel, Townsville, for six months. He left because he had no passport. The manager gave him two testimonials before he left. Read out in Court, they stated that defendant was both sober and reliable, and had always given every satisfaction, in addition to being a good cook.

Continuing, defendant stated that after leaving the hotel he went to stay with Japanese friends, and later one of them took him aboard the Tanda. He was handed \$24 by his friend, and he travelled as a steerage passenger, with fourteen Chinese, in the same cabin.

The Fantan Lure.

Two or three days after leaving Townsville on a Friday, he played at fantan, starting with \$24. He remembered playing with the No. 1 cook (since deceased), and several others. Altogether there were about 300 passengers gathered round, some of whom played, and some not.

He himself was the only Japanese passenger in the steering, but there were two others in the second class, one of them being an acquaintance from Townsville. They also took part in the game. They played all day, and defendant won about \$60. On Saturday morning he played again, and won about \$70. In the afternoon he played again, but this time lost \$70. He did not play on Saturday night, but instead made a bet into which he put all his money, this amounting to about \$150. His witness described the denominations of the money.

The Same Bet.

In reply to Mr. d'Almada, witness identified the bet taken from him on the night of the tragedy as the same one as he made for himself. He had worn it round his waist.

Witness added that he did not gamble on Sunday morning. About 10 o'clock the passenger cook came to him and said, "You are a lucky man. On account of you I have lost all my money, so give me \$10." He thought the man was joking. The passenger cook spoke in English, as he (witness) knew no Chinese.

On Sunday afternoon he played again, borrowing from his Japanese friends for the purpose, as all his money was inside his belt.

Witness's story became silent to follow. At this juncture, and the Dorsdorp, he called the Court for further evidence to be made.

CAR FATALITY.

Evidence at Coroner's Inquest.

DRIVER "LOST HIS HEAD."

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsell and a Coroner's jury held an inquest on the body of a public motor car driver named Kwok Kal-cheung, who was killed in Saseon Road on May 26, when his car suddenly got out of control when near the top of an avenue leading up to one of the residences situated above the level of the road. The car backed down the incline and then over the embankment, falling down a height of about 30 feet.

According to Dr. G. H. Thomas, medical officer of the Government Civil Hospital, death was almost instantaneous, the chauffeur's skull being crushed.

Ng Hoi-tung, a cook employed by the German occupant of 202, Saseon Road, related that the driver was pinned under the car. The witness fell just beside the car, and was rendered unconscious. His son also fell clear of the car and was not seriously hurt. The chauffeur's assistant, who sat next to him, also fell under the car, but escaped serious injury. He gave his name as Yuen Lok, and said he was a "carner driver".

Sub-Insp. Saunders, of the Traffic Department, said the car was in good condition with efficient brakes and he was unable to pick out any likely explanation of the accident.

Coroner: Other than the driver "lost his head"?—Yes.

The Coroner and jury subsequently visited the scene of the accident, after which the jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES

Finals of Dragon Boat Festival.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Cheung Chau, Wednesday.

On Sunday last the finals of the Dragon Boat races were paddled off amid the maximum of noise and excitement, and the theatricals in the towering masts built in front of the Fisherman's Temple also held large crowds spellbound.

Yesterday, at the invitation of Mr. A. C. Franklin, several of the British residents, three representatives of the local Kai Fong, the Head Master of the Government School, Inspector and Mrs. Shanon, met at "The Breakers" to do honour to His Majesty by drinking his health at noon. Entertainment was provided for the Chinese visitors by Radio broadcast from Canton. Refreshments were also served by our host. Some of the visitors had gone to Hong Kong to see the Review. The weather was all that could be desired.

The Houses are beginning to fill up. Rev. and Mrs. Becking and family of Koonmoon arrived at the close of May. The Rev. and Mrs. Bastin and children (Siuchow) arrived yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Smith (Wesleyan Sailor's and Sohler's Home) will be staying at No. 26. Others are due to arrive in a few days.

A large party of about 30 are to spend the week end here. Most of them will be accommodated in the Jaffray House. Later on in the month the graduating class of the Union Theological College in Canton will be on the Island for a four days' "Retreat."

Arrangements have been made for the sale of No. 20, as the owner is not returning to China, a gentleman from Hong Kong being the purchaser. One or more of the other houses "in the market" are also likely to find new owners. So in many ways the Season promises to be a busy and, we trust, an enjoyable one.

OVERLOADED LORRY.

Dangerous Driving by Chinese.

The Chinese driver of a motor lorry was to-day summoned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell for driving the vehicle in a dangerous manner in Lockhart Road, Wan Chai. He pleaded "guilty."

Sub-Inspector Saunders stated that the defendant's vehicle was a 2½-ton lorry but he had loaded it with bricks to the extent of its being four tons overloaded. When witness saw it, it had a very dangerous list to one side.

Magistrate: Is it not a separate offence to overload a vehicle?—Not at present, but a new regulation will be made soon to cover that.

Accused was fined \$15.

The owner of the same lorry was also summoned for causing an obstruction in Kwan Yik Street by leaving the vehicle unattended in the street all night.

Witness's story became silent to follow. At this juncture, and the Dorsdorp, he called the Court for further evidence to be made.

NORTHERN WAR.

Japanese Advised to Evacuate.

CHINESE RESPONSIBLE.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

It is semi-officially reported from Tokyo that the Japanese Consular officials have advised their nationals at Tsinan to evacuate the place, in view of the fact that the fall of the city to the Northerners is considered only a question of time.

As, however, many are unable to leave Tsinan owing to business and other reasons, reinforcements from Tsingtao are being sent to the police station attached to the Japanese Consulate.

A Nanking message states that under instructions from Tokyo, the Japanese Consul has called on the Foreign Ministry for assurances regarding the protection of the Japanese in Changsha and Tsinan. The Vice-Minister said that the National Government would assume responsibility for their safety.—Reuter.

EMPIRE GOODWILL.

Fostered by Wireless and Aviation.

UNITY ESSENTIAL.

London, Yesterday.

Sir Basil Blackett, addressing the Imperial Press Conference, announced that the Imperial International Communications, Ltd., intended to reduce cable rates to the level of wireless rates.

Sir Basil Blackett was followed by the Postmaster-General, Mr. H. B. Lees-Smith, who said he hoped a regular weekly air mail with Central Africa would be operating by the autumn, with an extension to the Cape shortly after.

Radio Telephones.

He said the Post Office was prominent in long-distance telephones, and Britain was able to talk to ninety per cent. of the subscribers in the world.

It was Britain's task to maintain the unity of the British nations when constitutional and political ties were deliberately growing looser every year. The British Commonwealth rested on goodwill, which depended on Post Office communications. The task required patience and goodwill, and each member of the Empire should never push his own views to extremes.—Reuter.

CHINA'S RAILWAYS.

Excursionists Not Attracted.

Nanking, May 16.

China to-day owns 18 railways with a total of 10,367,635 kilometres or some 6,479,772 miles passing through 10 different provinces, namely Hopei, Honan, Kiangsu, Lianghsien, Shansi, Anhwei, Chekiang, Kwangtung, Hupeh, Kirin, Hunan, Kiangsi, Fukien, Chahar and Suiyuan.

Hopei Province leads the group with 1,600.82 miles of railways, while other provinces are yet to be in a position to boast of a single mile of it.

The Peking-Mukden line with a mileage of 1,332.49 is the longest railway in China. The Peking-Hankow Railway comes next with 1,075.58 miles of track, while the famous Tientsin-Pukow Railway is third with 857.6 miles. The railway running between Shanghai and the Capital is only 260.44 miles long. The other 12 lines are: the Manhattan Serenade, Victor Saloon Orchestra.

"The Chocolate Soldier", Winnie Melville, and Derek Oldham.

"A Night in Budapest", Hungarian Rhapsody Orchestra.

"When I was Twenty-one", Sir Harry Lauder.

"Blue Danube", Waltz, International Concert Orchestra.

"Dear Love", Selection, New Mayfair Orchestra.

Programme of Studio Concert.

9 p.m.: H.M.S. Phaeton (Sullivan), H.M.V. Record.

9.10 p.m.: Songs:

a. Serenade (Toselli), Miss M. Galbraith.

b. Love (Goulding), Mrs. H. Ballean.

9.18 p.m.: Violin Solo: Legende (Wieniawski), Mrs. H. Ballean.

9.25 p.m.: Songs:

a. The Lute Player (Frances Alliston), Mr. Bailey.

b. Maire My Girl (Aitken), Mr. Bailey.

9.35 p.m.: Possible Damage to the Piano by Mr. G. True.

9.40 p.m.: Interval and News Bulletin.

9.45 p.m.: Neil Gwyn Dances (German), Victor Record.

9.55 p.m.: a. Loving Smile (Faust), (Gounod).

b. All Joy Be Thine (Sanderson), Mr. Bailey.

10.05 p.m.: Violin Solos:

a. Nocturne in E Flat (Chopin), Mrs. H. Ballean.

b. Selected ... Mrs. H. Ballean.

10.12 p.m.: Songs:

a. Naples (Zamecnik), Miss M. Galbraith.

b. Desert Song (Miss M. Galbraith).

More Damage to the Piano by Mr. G. True.

10.30 p.m.: Close Down.

The railways altogether carried a total of some 39,716,720 passengers in the course of last year. The Shanghai-Nanking Railway was the busiest line, having carried 8,863,989 persons in the year.

Statistics show that of the total number of passengers carried by the railways about 76 per cent.

were third class passengers.

Second class passengers constitute 2 per cent, while those of the first class but 4 per cent.

Chinese people do not seem to

have acquired the "travel bug," be-

cause all the railways combined

have only carried some 102,916 ex-

cursionists passengers.

The most popular line for excursion seems to be the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railway, at one end of which is situated the West Lake, famous for its scenic beauty. The Hangchow bore also helps to swell the number, providing a magnificient spectacle when the rising tide is compressed into a high wave.—United Press.

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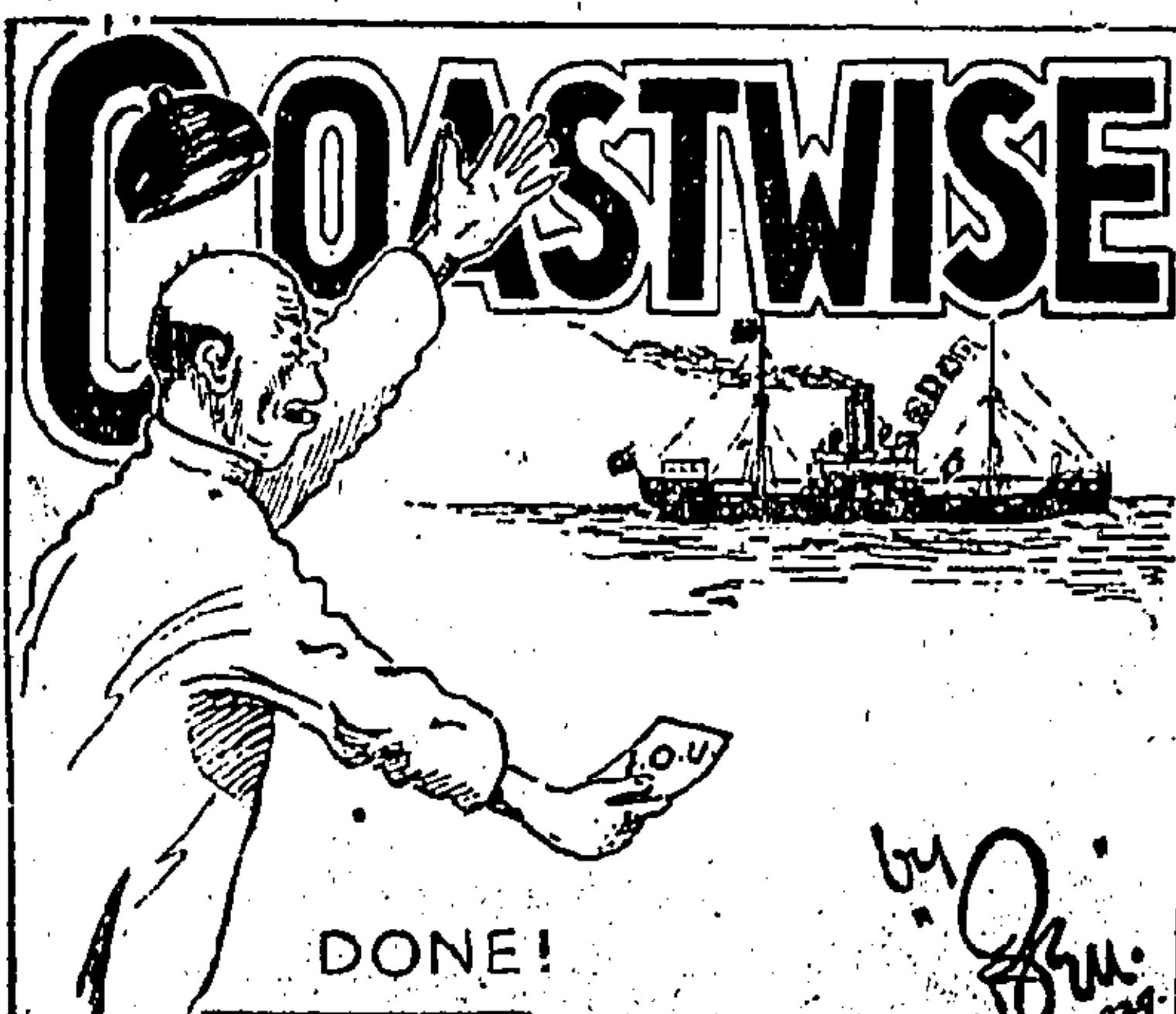
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Sport Columns

LAWN BOWLS.

Will the Rain Be a Kill-Joy?

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME.

(By "Short Head")

Writing in the rain of to-morrow's prospects for the Lawn Bowls League is a dismal operation for everything is damp and the weather forecast is none too cheerful. This is a pity, looking to the importance of at least two of the games affecting the championships of both Divisions. However I may be over-pessimistic at the prospect of an idle afternoon, and must proceed as if to-morrow's schedule will be carried out under sunny skies.

Kowloon Dock v. Taikoo R.C.
The meetings of the rival Dock teams is always productive of very keen rivalry, and to-morrow's game will prove no exception to the rule. The Kowloon Club have started rather badly, only picking up a couple of points and that by a narrow margin against the Club de Recreio. The Taikoo team have gained seven points, only losing to the Civil Service and drawing with the Club de Recreio. After playing on the Kowloon Dock green a week ago I rather fancy that it will be more to the liking of the local Club than the visitors, although the Civil Service Club found it very much to their liking. Last season Taikoo won by 58-53.

C.C.C. v. Civil Service.

This will be the tit-bit of the afternoon. Last year the Civil Service won both of their matches against their hosts of to-morrow and as they are in better form this season they are not likely to start the game with their tails down. On the other hand, the Craiggengower boys are keen to avenge those two defeats in a season when they won the championship.

K.B.G.C. v. Police R.C.

This game was won by the Bowring Green Club last season by 62-56, and the margin may be about the same to-morrow, looking to recent narrow defeats of the Police. The former have won only two out of five matches, whilst the Police have yet to gain a point. On paper, of course, the Bowring Green Club appear to very much stronger than their opponents, but if the latter play as pluckily as usual against odds, they will not suffer a debacle.

K.C.C. v. Club de Recreio.

The K.C.C. won a year ago by 61-53. They have won only two matches this season, whilst their opponents have won two and drawn one. The game thus promises to be a close one, with the usual preference for the home side.

DIVISION II.

Club de Recreio v. Electric R.C.
The Electric R.C. won a year ago by 62-56. They have won only one match this season, against three wins for the Club de Recreio. The Electric Co. gave the Civil Service quite a good run for their money a week ago, and the Club de Recreio should guard against being caught napping.

Taikoo v. K.C.C.

This looks like an opportunity for the Taikoo R.C. to bag their first couple of points. The K.C.C. have won only two out of five games so far, whilst they are 20 shots in arrears, which does not impress in calculating their chances against even the lowly Taikoo.

C.S.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.

Last season the Civil Service won by 57-56. Neither Club has lost a match this season so that the joint endeavour to preserve an unmarred record ought to result in a really keen tussle. The play of the Civil Service did not impress too strongly at certain stages of their meetings with the Craiggengower, and the Electric, but the ground advantage might be sufficient to turn the scales in their favour against the K.C.C.C.

Yacht Club v. C.C.C.

A year ago the Yacht Club won by 60-58. They have won two matches this season against one only for their opponents, and this suggests a repetition of last season's result.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League, to date are:

Division I.		P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service C.C.	5	4	0	0	1	10
Craiggengower C.C.	5	4	1	0	0	11
Taikoo R.C.	5	2	1	1	1	7
Club de Recreio	5	2	1	2	0	6
Kowloon B.G.C.	5	2	0	3	0	4
Kowloon C.C.	5	1	0	4	0	2
Kowloon D.R.C.	5	1	0	4	0	2
Police R.C.	5	0	0	5	0	0

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DERBY SWEEP.

Error in Previous Numbers.

UNPLEASANT NEWS.

London, Yesterday. The publication by Reuter of the correct list of numbers drawn in the Calcutta sweepstake has cleared up the existing confusion, but has given an unpleasant shock to a number of ticket holders.

Deep dejection has been caused to seven Barnstaple working men (mentioned yesterday) who have now learned that the report of their good fortune was unfounded.

One of them, hearing the unpleasant news, philosophically remarked, "I shall only have to go back to work again."—Reuter.

Quick Cabling.

It may be of interest to our readers to learn that the result of the Derby Stakes was transmitted from the London office of the Eastern Extension, Australia and China Telegraph Co., 3,11 p.m. (legal time) and was received in Egypt, Bombay, Singapore, Capetown and Halifax five seconds later.

A all other stations throughout this Company's system the result was received within thirty seconds.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Hong Kong Out of Interport Contest.

SHANGHAI'S SCORE.

Shanghai put up a creditable score of 937 points in the Triangular Interport shoot and as a result has eliminated Hong Kong.

The scores of the Shanghai team are given below:

	200	500	600		
	Yds.	Yds.	Yds.	Ttl.	
W. Read	34	34	33	101	
J. R. Main	30	33	34	97	
E. Caulfield	31	32	32	95	
R. Davie	28	34	32	94	
L. J. Guillarmard	30	34	30	94	
T. S. Parry	30	34	30	94	
C. W. Glover	34	33	27	94	
A. M. Collace	29	31	30	90	
A. L. Biggs	28	30	31	89	
F. C. Ho	28	31	30	89	
Total	200	500	600	937	
Counted out:					
W.O. Lancaster	30	29	30	89	
R.M. Jordan	28	29	30	87	
The full scores of the Hong Kong team were as follows:					
	200	500	600		
C.P.O. Clarke	33	32	30	94	
Guest	32	30	29	91	
K. C. McLennan	29	30	31	90	
S/M Drury	27	30	29	86	
P.O. Parsons	28	30	28	86	
Mng. Country	27	27	28	82	
P.O. Marcham	30	24	28	82	
P.O. Read	28	27	26	81	
Cpl. Warwick	26	24	24	79	
Sgt. Harbour	24	29	21	74	
Total	200	500	600	845	
Counted out:					
E. R. Dovey	22	28	22	72	
Police Sgt. Ritchie	20	20	19	59	

TWO-SYLLABLE KID.

Boxer Who Did Not Understand Big Words.

Damages of £25 were awarded Mr. Joseph Morris, the boxer's manager, of Wick Road, Hackney, London, N. in the action which he brought in the King's Bench Division against Mr. Harry Mason, the boxer, of Hove.

Mr. Morris claimed an injunction to restrain Mason boxing for any one else without his consent, and also for damages.

Earlier in the case Mason said in cross-examination, "I know I go to bed at night and I worry how much I have got to pay. I am just waiting for the bad news." (Laughter.)

Mr. Justice Charles read from a newspaper cutting a reference to "The Fiddling Boxer."

"Are you the Fiddling Boxer?" he asked Mason.

"Yes, I happen to play the violin," answered Mason.

Mr. Blain (for Mr. Morris)—Fiddling is not a deprecatory adjective; it means that you play the violin.

Mason—I beg your pardon. I don't understand those big words. I am just what they call a two-syllable kid. (Laughter.)

T. Swan, J. Sloan (jun.), S. Amery, and D. Walmsley (Skip). Civil Service C.C.—F. H. Holdman, R. R. Wood, W. J. Belford, and F. H. W. Haynes (Skip). L. Booker, H. Westlake, L. G. Luck, and W. E. Hollands (Skip). L. R. Whant, E. L. Holland, R. E. Davies, and J. Archibald (Skip). K.C.C.—J. P. Robinson, J. S. Dinenen, T. W. Carr, and L. J. Blackburn (Skip). O. B. Raven, D. S. Purves, F. E. Lawrence, and J. M. Jack (Skip). W. Borrowman, L. A. Jeeves, W. W. Hirsh, and V. C. Labrum (Skip). C.C.C.—J. Moss, J. M. V. Ribeiro, A. L. Souza, and R. C. Reed (Skip). A. Tarbuck, E. Thompson, S. J. Clarke, and A. F. Paul (Skip). T. T. Tuck, A. E. Coates, E. ol. Arculli, and U. M. Omar (Skip).

Division II.

Electric Co. R.C.—G. Halley, G. T. Padgett, D. S. Hill, and W. H. B. Muskett (Skip).

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T. T. Tuck, A. E. Coates, E. ol. Arculli, and U. M. Omar (Skip).

Division III.

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A. Tarbuck, E. Thompson, S. J. Clarke, and A. F. Paul (Skip).

T. T. Tuck, A. E. Coates, E. ol. Arculli, and U. M. Omar (Skip).

Division IV.

D. T. Padgett, D. S. Hill, and W. H.

BRITISH SUBJECTS IN AMERICA.

MANY APPLICATIONS FOR FREE PASSAGE HOME.

Numerous applications for repatriation are being received at the British consular offices throughout the United States from British subjects who have been discharged and are in financial difficulties.

During the present industrial depression American employers finding that reductions in staffs were necessary have been pursuing a systematic policy of dismissing all who are not American citizens. This policy is encouraged by the American Federation of Labour.

Mr. Henderson's statement in the House of Commons on April 7, which has been widely quoted here, has led to the impression that men stranded in this way could return to Britain on British public funds.

The Embassy here issued a statement that this impression is mistaken. Distressed British subjects are only repatriated at the public expense after special reference to the Foreign Office and on the production of satisfactory evidence that they will be maintained by relatives in Britain, or that they will not become a public charge, and on the signature of a promise to refund the money expended in repatriation.

TOAD VENOM.

May Furnish Drugs for Medicine.

Baltimore. The venom of toads, for centuries used in Europe as a source of poison and in China as a medicine, contains potent principles that resemble drugs in therapeutic use to-day and may provide medicine with new weapons against heart disease.

Four kinds of chemical substances have been isolated in crystalline form from Ch'a Su, dried toad venom used as medicine in China for hundreds of years. The researches were conducted by Drs. H. Jensen and K. K. Chen of Johns Hopkins.

Dr. Chen is a Chinese biochemist whose research on an old Chinese drug plant gave modern medicine the drug epinephrine which has come into wide use in the treatment of hayfever and colds.

In the river and lake regions of China is found a large toad which when irritated secretes a whitish, slimy venom from glands located behind the eyes. The Chinese have long used this dried venom in treating canker sores, sinus trouble, inflammations, toothache and bleeding gums.

The reason why the toad venom is effective for stopping and promoting drainage of infected sinuses was explained when Drs. Jensen and Chen isolated from the venom two principles which raised blood pressure, one of them identical with epinephrine or adrenal, the principle of the suprarenal gland in animals.

But the poisonoussness of toads is explained by the isolation of two toxic principles in the toad venom that have a pharmacological action quite similar to the familiar digitalis glucosides used in treating heart trouble. One of these, cinobufotoxin, as it is named in honour of its origin and toxicity, is so potent that one thousandth of a gram would kill an ordinary cat. The other poison in the Chinese toad venom, cinobufagin, is not so powerful.

These poisonous principles explain the cause of death of the husbands of marriage-weary Roman women who fed their mates with toad lungs.

Other poisons of animal origin are snake venom, and poisons from fish, scorpions, spiders, bees, ants, beetles and other insects. In common with gland extracts such as thyroxin, adrenal, pituitrin, and insulin, these poisons are toxic in large amounts but sometimes beneficial in small doses.

Close chemical relations between toad poisons, digitalis, bile acids, cholesterol, ergosterol, the vitamin

INVISILE GERMS.

An Epoch-Making Discovery.

PROFESSOR'S CLAIMS.

Professor Albert Calmette, a director of the Pasteur Institute and a bacteriologist of world-wide fame, has just made a communication to the French Academy of Medicine of very unusual interest and importance.

Twenty years ago, Dr. Fontes, of Rio de Janeiro, reported that he had discovered in cases of tuberculosis a germ or virus so minute that it passed through a porcelain filter, and through the walls of the blood-vessels of the placenta. For many years his discovery was doubted, but it was fully confirmed by Dr. Vaudremer in 1923, and since that date Professor Calmette, Mr. J. Valtis, and others have been investigating the nature of the filterable virus, with results summarised by Professor Calmette in his communication.

Professor Calmette and his colleagues have demonstrated the very remarkable fact that the invisible filterable virus is stage in the development life of the tubercle bacillus. In its invisible filterable stage the germ does not cause tuberculosis, merely various diseases of the skin and various septicemic conditions; but it is capable of developing into slender bacilli, and finally into the typical bacillus tuberculosis discovered by Koch.

Two French firms are building long-range aeroplanes, and the Dornier Do X. may make an Atlantic flight attempt, probably via the Azores. The airship R100 will make its Atlantic flight attempt next month, and the Graf Zeppelin will also make an attempt some time during the year.

ATLANTIC FLYING.

Nineteen Lives Lost in Three Years.

FURTHER ATTEMPTS.

London, May 14. It is being asked if nothing can be done to dissuade some of the many pilots who are planning to make attempts to fly the Atlantic this season. The suitable weather for Atlantic flying begins in about three weeks' time, and altogether thirteen attempts are being planned.

During the last three years nineteen lives have been lost in Atlantic flight attempts, and among them were some of the best pilots in the world. Captains Nungesser and Coli, Colonel Minchin, and Captain Hincliffe were among the lost.

But these disasters have not deterred other pilots from coming forward to make the attempt, although there was a perceptible lull last year.

Famous Pilot To Try. This year Captain Coste, the French pilot, has announced his intention of starting soon after May 15. Other pilots who are preparing to make the attempt are Captain Ahrenberg, the Swedish aviator; Lieutenant Haya and Commandant G. Morato, who have already made long distance test flights with their machine; Knud von Clausen, a Danish military pilot; Mr. Paul Montgomery, and Captain Kingsford-Smith.

The police officer started to continue on his round, when a whistle was blown. Constable Lai came running past blowing his whistle loudly while two men were closely chasing him brandishing in their hands a pointed weapon. Sub-Lieutenant Bonjuy stood in their track and when the latter came near, swept out his pistol in order to command them to stop. Somehow or other he touched the trigger and the pistol exploded.

The two men were taken to the police station when they were found to be seamen. They were later released pending investigation.—Bangkok Daily Mail.

SCHOOL RAIDED.

Chinese Police Pose as Surveyors.

Shanghai, May 25.

For the past four or five days residents of Darrach Road, in the vicinity of the Chung Hua College of Arts, have taken a keen interest in the activities of a gang of Chinese surveyors who spent hours each day measuring the road, taking sights and levels, making copious notes and never seeming to get much farther than 50 yards on either side of the college. There was considerable speculation among foreign and Chinese residents in the neighbourhood, it being freely stated that the Chapel authorities were about to take control of the road and were preparing to widen it.

Nothing came of it, however, and each morning from daylight until darkness set in, the same group of men with tripods, measuring chains and the other surveying instruments, went about their duties as though time was no object.

On Saturday afternoon, the district received a surprise when a large number of Chapel police appeared, fully armed, and surrounded the Chung Hua College. In a few minutes the college had been completely blockaded and those inside were cut off from all escape.

In a few minutes more, about 80 of the students, together with the tutors, were herded, roped together and led off to the Chapel police headquarters.

Among the principal actors in the surprise raid were the gang of surveyors who had been so busily engaged making inconsequential measurements during the previous four days. These men were nothing more or less than Chinese detectives, who had been keeping the college under observation, waiting for the right moment to arrest the students.

This college has been notorious for its communistic activities and has been raided on no less than three previous occasions, when large quantities of communistic literature were seized. Among the literature found on Saturday was a considerable quantity bearing on the May 30 incident, and calling for a demonstration and general strike on that date.

"BINGO" REACHES VIOLENT STAGE.

CHILD SHOT IN SAILORS' MELEE.

Bangkok, May 17. Growing out of a controversy at a "bingo" stall at Talat Sam Yarn, where the Si Phya Road joins the Rama IV Road, two petty naval officers clashed with a police officer and a constable last night.

A pistol shot fired by the police officer in order to keep the mariners at bay, struck the hard pavement and glanced, hitting a boy in the thigh. The police officer was Sub-Lieutenant Boonjuy Rochanapradith of Pradumvan Station, and the constable was named Lai. The mariners involved were Third Class Petty Officer Soon Lee, of the newly arrived gunboat Sukhoaya, and Second Class Petty Officer Win.

The incident occurred at about 9 p.m. when the police officer in plain clothes was on his round inspecting the various bingo stalls. He arrived at Talat Sam Yarn when somebody threw a stone. Constable Lai was explaining to the officer that he saw a small boy throwing the missile from a dark corner, when a man in the bingo stall approached and said that he had nothing to do with the throwing.

"No," came the response, "Jack never bites."

"Well," continued the stranger, "then how does it live?"

"I put in the French phrases here and there," said the would-be author, "to give the book an atmosphere of culture."

"That's all right," said the publisher, "but it would have helped still more if you had put in a little good English here and there!"

The police officer started to continue on his round, when a roar of laughter followed his unintentional "slam."

Have You Heard?

Owner (at end of test): "A hundred miles and never had to use a spanner. The car is worth £250 as it stands. What will you give for it?"

Client: "Prepare yourself for a shock, old man. I'll give you £25 and no more."

Owner: "Prepare yourself for another; I'll take it!"

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On his last call on Friday a commercial traveller was about to receive a small order when he started searching through his pockets.

"What have you lost?" asked the customer.

"Pencil," replied the C.T., still searching. "Can't think where I left it—I know I had it on Monday."

The huge mastiff barked as the stranger knocked at the door.

"Look 'ere, boss," he said to its master. "Does your dog bite?"

"No," came the response, "Jack never bites."

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A speaker at one of the universities began an address to the students, as follows: "Now, I'm not going to talk very long, but if you get what I'm going to say in your heads, you'll have the whole thing in a nutshell."

And he looked surprised when a roar of laughter followed his unintentional "slam."

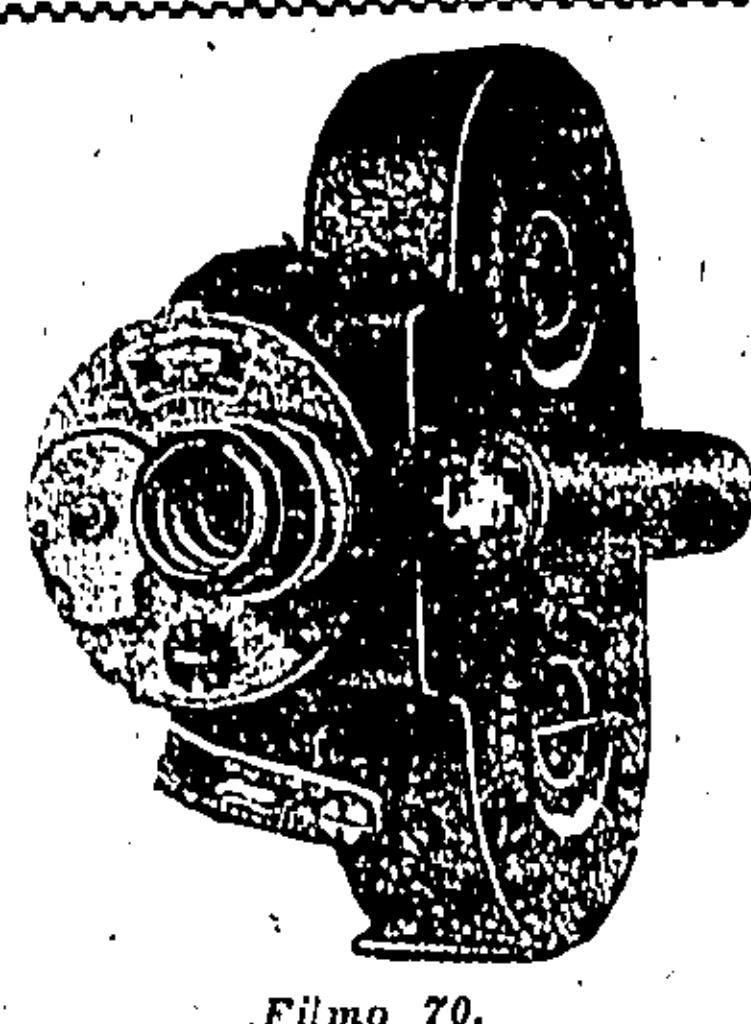
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Douglas ...\$	98	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924
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Shell Transport ...\$/-	...	90/3	Dec.	1/2 ex. 2/- on preferred 1/- Tax 2/- 1929
Union Waterbowl ...\$	93	...	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1929
Mining.						
Bengtus ...\$	91	Dec.	Interv. 15 cents a/c 1929
Kailan Mining Ad. ...\$	11/3	June	Dec.	Final 2/- free 1/2 Tax (Coupon No. 35 year 1928-29)
Langkat (Camb.) ...Tls.	13.10	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 21-1929	
" (Single) ...Tls.	7	Pending
S'han Exploration ...Tls.	1.30	Dec.	None	
" Loans ...Tls.	61	Dec.	Last dividend for 1920	
Raub ...\$	254	Mar.	Final 1/5 a/c year 21-3-30	
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H. K. & K. Wharves ...\$	177	Dec.	\$2 for 1929
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Hongkew ...Tls.	205	Dec.	Final T. 1/2 a/c 1929
N. Engineering ...Tls.	8	Dec.	T. 0.50 for 1929	
Shanghai Docks ...Tls.	133	Apr.	T. 7.50 for year 20-1-29	
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Ewe Cottons ...Tls.	13.40	...	Dec.	Final T. 2 a/c 1929
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WIFE STABBED.

Young Chinese Couple in Court.

Kuala Lumpur, May 22.

A young married couple, a Straits-born Chinese and his wife, were the parties in a case of voluntarily causing hurt with a dangerous weapon which came before the Singapore District Judge (Mr. C. Wilson) on Monday. Toh Keng-lim was charged with stabbing his wife in six places with a kitchen knife belonging to his mother-in-law. When the case was mentioned some short while back the accused pleaded guilty under provocation. On Monday, however, he attempted to show that it was an accident, says the "Free Press."

It transpired in the course of the hearing that the accused had been out of employment for a long time and that he and his wife were being supported by his mother-in-law.

In questioning his wife after she had told the story of the attack from the witness box, the accused declared that he had been tricked into the marriage.

"Have you ever had occasion to chastise the accused with a broom?" asked Mr. Meredith (Chief Court Inspector) of the mother-in-law when she had given her evidence.

"Never," replied the witness.

Mr. Meredith: You haven't got a bad temper?

Witness: No.

Mr. Meredith: You are one of the few mothers-in-law who haven't.

The accused asked the woman if it was not a fact that she abused him all the while and told everybody of his family affairs.

Witness replied "Why should I abuse you? You are not my proper son, you are my son-in-law. I told people that you pawned my daughter's jewellery."

"I Have Stabbed My Wife."

Police evidence was given to the effect that the accused surrendered himself at a police station saying "I have stabbed my wife."

Asked if he wished to make his defence on oath or give a statement, the accused replied "I have nothing to say."

His Honour convicted the accused.

Mr. Meredith asked His Honour to take a serious view of the case. "If he had kept to his first plea of guilty under provocation I would have been satisfied," said Mr. Meredith. "But I have never heard a more stupid defence than his saying that it was an accident, especially as there were six wounds on the woman."

Addressing the accused and referring to one of the wounds which was on the woman's chest, His Honour said "Another half an inch and the knife would have penetrated her heart; you would then have been just in time for the present Assizes."

Sentence of 18 months' rigorous imprisonment was passed. — Malay Mail.

BABY ELEPHANT.

Trip from Siam to New York.

PAUSES IN PENANG.

Penang, May 12. A baby elephant arrived in Penang yesterday and will leave at noon to-day for New York. The "dear little animal" appeared quite friendly when viewed yesterday by a correspondent in its crate on the after-deck of the Chinese Prince. It had been transferred from Siam to Prai by rail, and from Prai was shipped aboard a lighter to the steamer lying at Penang Harbour.

The creature, hardly six feet high, had attached to its neck a thick cord which was made fast to one of the bars forming the wooden crate. Hay was strewn about the interior of the confines and the baby seemed quite content to lift by the aid of its trunk, a few straws at a time and eat them. It did not resent the friendly pat which a member of the crew bestowed upon it when passing the crate.

The owner of the animal is an American named Mr. L. C. Bulkley, who paid \$400 for it. Mr. Bulkley is sending it to the Zoological Park, New York.

Messrs. Adamson, Gilfillan and Co., the local agents of the Prince Line, are in charge of the arrangements for the shipment of the elephant from Penang to New York. The cost of freight is \$152 Straits, while the native attendant, who accompanies the animal throughout its journey, pays a fare of \$147.

Messrs. Adamson, Gilfillan and Co. advise that Mr. Bulkley contemplates sending more wild animals to New York.

Aboard the Chinese Prince were other animals also, which the captain of the ship said belonged to a Mr. Rogers, a Briton.—Bangkok Daily Mail.

MARVELLOUS EGGS.

Hen's Wonderful Laying Ability?

Shanghai May 30.

A section of Nantao, according to the Chinese newspapers, is aroused over the alleged laying of an egg by a black hen owned by a rice dealer. Nothing strange, of course, in the laying of an egg by a normal hen, be that hen black, white or green, if green hens exist anywhere. Neither is there anything peculiar or extraordinary in the fact that an hen owned by a rice dealer laid an egg. Most hens are impartial as to ownership and laying eggs.

Then why all the fuss? Well, according to the report, this particular hen laid an egg with double shells. Not only that, so the much-circulated report goes, the first shell bore Chinese characters the resemblance of which aroused much superstitious concern in the neighbourhood.

All of which is most distressing to certain credulous Chinese. The Chinese Press states that the black hen, having thus startled the natives with this wonderful egg, waited exactly one day and laid another egg, this one also with double shells.

Not only did both eggs have double shells, but they were of unusual size, one stated to have been the size and shape of a goose egg and the other round like that fruit made famous by the Golden States—oranges.

The shells were broken and

NEPHEW MURDERED
Goldsmith Sentenced at Singapore.

Singapore, May 24.

Yeo Nghee Keow, an elderly goldsmith, who yesterday was found guilty at the Assizes of abetment of the murder of his young nephew, Chia Yiang, nine years ago, was sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment.

The motive suggested by the prosecution was a young and pretty wife and a jealous husband.

Mr. Eber, for the defence, submitted that there was conspiracy on the part of the accused's elder brother and others to get rid of the accused, who was the sole executor to the father's will.—Ex.

TRADESMEN HOAXED

Groceries Ordered in the Name of Lord Inverclyde

Wells collection.

A hoax has been perpetrated on West End tradesmen by a man, aged about 50, who represented himself to be butler to Lord Inverclyde. The man has called at a number of shops and placed orders for groceries and chocolates, "on behalf of Lord Inverclyde," and has ordered the goods to be delivered at the house in Park Street, W.

The man entered a store in Wig-

POOR MAN!

Strangled by Mother and Wife.

DRAMATIC CONFESSIONS.

Shanghai, May 23. Facing a judge of the Shanghai Special District Court yesterday the mother and the wife of a Chinese calmly admitted murdering the man, declaring that he was better off dead than alive, that he lived on the earnings of his wife and sister and that they killed him rather than submit to his ill-treatment.

It was a strange and startling story and one that held the attention of both the court and spectators alike. The wife of the victim, Mrs. Chen Ming-dah, 24 years old, pretty but poorly dressed, told the court in a calm unafraid manner, that her husband, since their marriage, had dragged her down, and that she, with her husband's mother, plotted to kill him.

"We strangled him to death," Mrs. Chen told the court.

Asked if they realized the seriousness of the confessions they were making, both women vigorously asserted that they did, and that they were ready to take the consequences. Both are being held on the charge of murder.

Chen Ming-dah, 25 years old, a man of the loafer type, was murdered on Friday. His lifeless body was found by police on a piece of vacant ground in the Settlement on Ferry Road. An investigation was started by Detective Sergeant V. S. Cardell, and after the body had been identified the trail led to the home of the murdered man.

Tell Story of Crime.

Questioned by the police, the wife and mother of the victim readily admitted the crime. They told the police that, while Chen slept they stole into his room, gagged him with a piece of cotton, tied a strong cord about his neck and strangled him to death.

"He was a wicked man and I hated him," Mrs. Chen told Judge Sung. "Many times I planned to kill him, but something always happened to prevent it. He smoked opium, gambled and never worked. Every cent I earned he took from me. I often went hungry while he gambled with my hard-earned money."

Unable longer to endure the alleged treatment of the man, Mrs. Chen declared that she and Chen's mother agreed to kill him in his sleep. They confessed to carrying the body from the house, after the murder, and abandoning it on the vacant ground in Ferry Road.

Judge Sung listened to the statements of the two women and ordered them to be held pending further investigations.

TALK ON STAMPS.

Collection Valued at \$100,000.

126 ALBUMS.

New York City.

One of the most valuable collections of United States postage stamps in this country has been purchased by the Nassau Stamp Company of 70, Nassau Street. It was the collection of Arthur H. Lamborn, head of the sugar brokerage firm of Lamborn & Co. and senior member of the stock brokerage firm of Lamborn, Hutchings & Co. The stamps were exhibited at the International stamp show in this city in 1926 when the nineteenth century issues won the second medal, while the twentieth century bureau prints won the first gold medal.

The collection is remarkably complete in varieties, colour shades and plate numbers. Its value is conservatively estimated at \$100,000 and the stamps are handsomely mounted in 126 albums. The collection contains all of the rare inverted cent issues, including the three of the 1869 issue.

Of the Pan-American 1901 issue, Mr. Lamborn had what is said to be the finest block known of the four-cent denomination, a single copy of which sold recently at auction for \$1,085. He had also a copy of the still rarer two-cent value and also a fine unused copy of the twenty-four-cent aeroplane with the inverted cent.

Mr. Lamborn has been collecting stamps ever since he was a boy. Not content with being a mere collector he is known among philatelists as a careful student in all the details that add zest to stamp collecting. This feature is especially well shown in the United States Bureau Prints of which he succeeded in getting fine strips and blocks of every plate issued of every value and these all contain the wide margins with the plate numbers and in many cases the printers' arrow lines.

One of the rarest sets in his nineteenth century lot is the August, 1861, issue, complete with shades of the three and ten cents, while among his postmaster provisions are fine copies of the Millbury, Brattleboro, Baltimore, all of the St. Louis issues and many fine copies of the five-cent New York.

The willingness of collectors to pay high prices for fine specimens of United States stamps was seen in the record prices paid for many copies at the sale at the American Art Association-Anderson Galleries of the Thomas Lawrence Wells collection. It contained only twentieth century issues and practically everything to date was complete in unused blocks of four. The entire collection, including foreign issues, brought \$38,456, and nearly half of that was obtained in the first session containing the United States, which brought more than \$16,000. The highest individual price was \$1,000 paid for a block of four of the Louisiana Purchase two-cent commemorative, issued in 1904, imperforated horizontally.

more Street and ordered goods worth £10. They included a box of chocolates, which, he said, he must take back to Lady Inverclyde. The rest of the goods were to be sent on before lunch-time.

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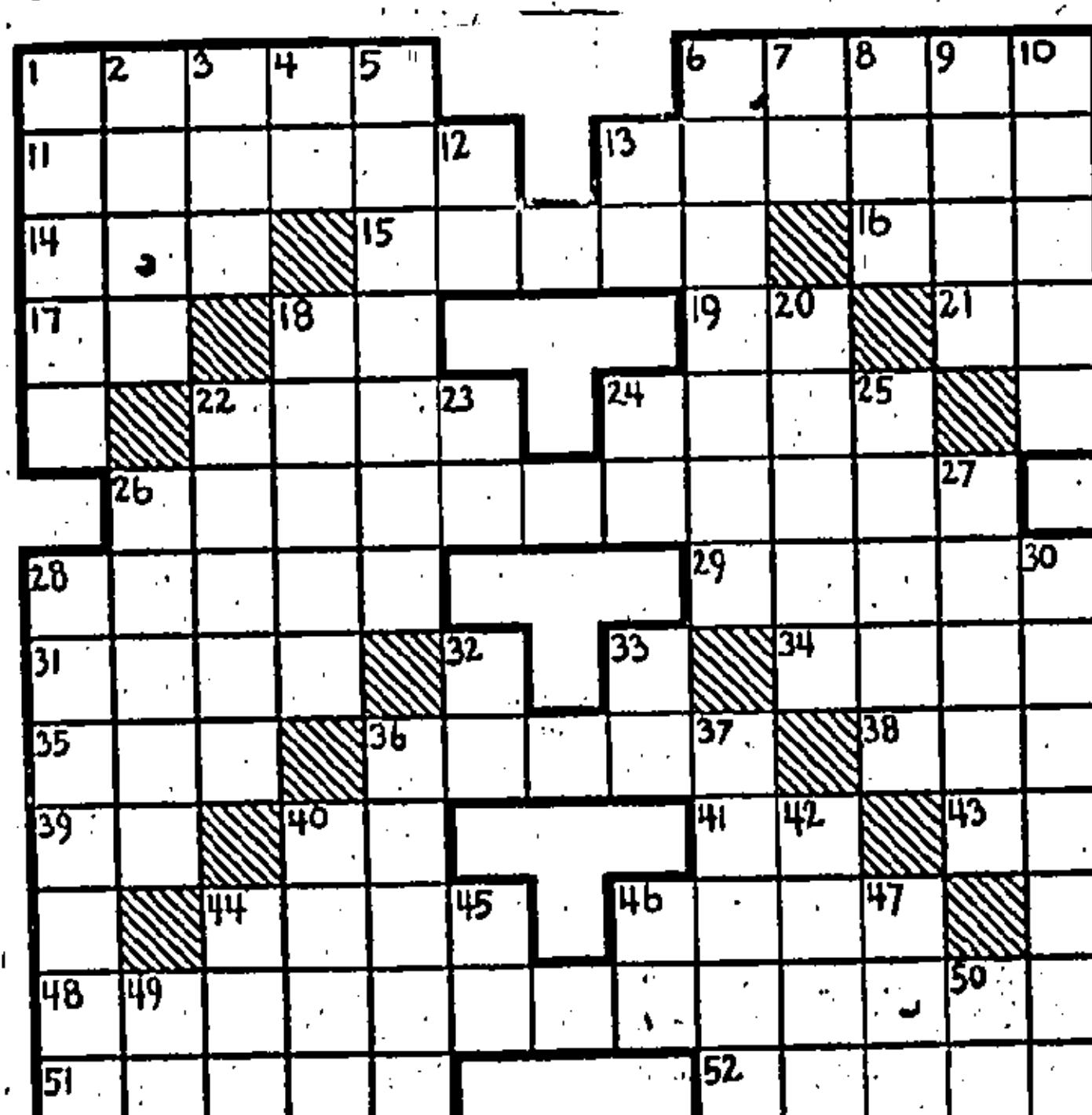
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Auctions
6-Small round brass pot used in India
11-Public nursery (French)
12-To slander
14-Self
15-Wireless
16-Cut down, as grass
17-A negativ
18-An island of New York (abbr.)
19-Another
21-Potential pronoun
22-Hill of loose sand
24-European evergreen oak
26-One of the world's richest man
28-Glossy, fibrous substance produced by various insects (pl.)
29-Borrow (poet)
31-Friendly associate
34-Combining form
35-French for the
36-Knobby, watery plant
37-Shade tree

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

30-Like
40-Upon
41-Oraf
42-Thus
44-Employed
46-Noon (French)
48-A New England State
50-To slip close
52-A figure of speech

VERTICAL

1-A landscape
2-Ship in which the Argonauts sailed for the Golden Fleece
3-Fifth sign of the Zodiac
4-Practise, fit of
5-Contract
6-King of Belgium
7-Firm
8-A Scottish cap
9-A treaty port in S. E. China
10-Chopped
12-Each (abbr.)

13-Prairie
18-Fortunate
20-To apportion
22-Toys representing persons
23-Eye (Sect.)
24-Personal pronoun
25-An affray
26-Vexes
27-Runs on wheels
28-Oriental salutations
30-Korean anguish caused by a sense of guilt
32-Short for Albert
33-Conjunction (grammatical)
37-To intertwine
40-Mountain on which Pelion was piled
42-A river of Germany
44-To amply
45-District of Columbia (abbr.)
46-Greek letter M
47-A Japanese statesman
48-Injunction
50-Township (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS

ROUND THE CINEMAS

World's Record for
Dancing Set.

"OUR MODERN MAIDENS."

Jean Crawford, winner of various dancing awards, has set a world's record for the longest solo dance ever photographed for a motion picture.

It was during the filming of a sequence in her first starring picture, "Our Modern Maidens," the current Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer sound synchronised attraction at the Queen's Theatre, that Miss Crawford, unknowingly, set the marathon mark for screen solo dancing. The dance lasted more than three minutes, and according to the star, whose knowledge of terpsichorean art is unquestionably the most complete of any in motion pictures, it was the most difficult of any she has done.

The dance in question is unlike anything seen before, for it is a combination of several steps executed to "off beat" rhythm. A special musical score was written for the famous dancing star, and it was not until after several weeks of training that she endeavoured to do the step before the cameras.

The new creation, as yet unnamed, involves the use of the old Spanish tango, Apache, and modern jazz, interpolated with bits from the famous minuet dance. It is very tiring and undoubtedly never will become popular as a ballroom dance. Time was checked on the dance by means of a stop-watch fastened to the camera.

"Our Modern Maidens" is a vivid drama of jazz-mad youth, written by the author of "Our Dancing Daughters," Josephine Lovett. The supporting cast includes Rod La Rocque, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Anita Page, Eddie Nugent, Josephine Dunn, and Albert Gran. Jack Conway directed the picture.

MARRIAGE FOR LOVE

Views of American Singer.

Miss Mary McCormic, the American singer, who has recently made her debut in London, does not believe in marrying for love.

She confided this to me (writes an Evening Standard representative) when I saw her at her hotel. She had dark curly hair, dark eyes and a ready smile.

"To my mind," she said as she sat curled up in an easy chair, "true happiness seldom results from a marriage founded on love alone. If I were to marry it would be the man I liked and respected—perhaps he might make me love him afterwards."

There was a time when I believed that a woman's career should come before her marriage, but I do not hold that view now. I love my work, but I hold that marriage occupies a higher plane, and would give up my career for it."

When Miss Pola Negri, the film star, started divorce proceedings against her husband, Prince Serge Melvani, it was stated that the Prince intended to marry Miss McCormic. The Prince and Miss Negri, however, became reconciled.

"I don't think I can say anything about Prince Melvani," Miss McCormic said. "That is all past now. There was a time when..." She paused for some minutes. Then: "Well, you see, it isn't for me to say anything about all that."

More than 500 extras appear in "Frozen Justice." Lenore Ulric's first talkie. Of these 116 are native born Esquimaux. The remainder are of every other nationality. Miss Ulric is supported by such brilliant actors as Louis Wolheim, Robert Frazer and Ulrich Haupt, under Allan Dwan's direction.

Nellie Bly Baker, former secretary and character actress, is playing an important role in an M-G-M production. It is a fact that she started her career as an elocution teacher and sought out a job as Chaplin's secretary as an opening wedge for picture work.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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CHARLIE CHAPLIN &
HIS FORMER WIFE.MISS LITA GREY'S HINT OF A
RECONCILIATION.

The Manager claimed that the new machine for the talkies, which is supplied by The Western Electric Company of Chicago, will be bigger than that now at the Majestic Cinema.

As readers are aware the Theatre Royal which was "in the race," will also instal talkies at an early date.

JAPANESE SOPRANO.

To Make Talkie for
20,000 Yen Weekly.

Tokyo, May 13. Miss Toshiko Sekiya, Japan's most popular soprano singer, will shortly appear in a talkie film to be prepared by the Teloku Cinema company.

Komoriuta; a lullaby song, which Miss Sekiya composed while in Italy, and which she sang, many times with great success, will feature the film which will picturise the story written by Matsutaro Kewaguchi of the Cinema company. The new picture will be directed by Jukichi Suzuki.

It has been understood Miss Sekiya will be paid Yen 20,000 weekly during the production of the film. This is the same rate which Yoshio Miyawaki, popular Japanese tenor, was reported to have been paid during his appearance in the production of "Furusato," Japanese talking picture, made some time ago by the Shochiku Cinema Company.

Miss Sekiya recently appeared in a leading role in the opera "La Traviata," with Yoshie Fujiwara, Miss Sekiya's first wife was Mildred Harris, whom he married in 1918. They had a son who died in infancy.

"Great actors make bad husbands," said Mrs. Lita Grey Chaplin with a wistful look in her eyes. "Charlie and I have remained the best of friends," she said, "and the link of two children is hard to break. I was given the custody of them after our divorce, but sometimes I send them to see him, and at other times he comes to visit us."

"I think I am still his greatest admirer as a film artist, but like most great men, he has a dual personality. If only he had kept his screen personality in real life! As a husband he was impossible."

"Of course, I was only sixteen when I married him, and perhaps I was too young to understand him."

TALKIE CRAZE.

Hits Penang Movie Fans.

Tokyo, May 17. Talkies are the craze in Penang. The United Cinema is now preparing to instal a talkie machine which has been shipped from Chicago on the President Monroe and is expected here at the end of the month.

Interviewed by a representative of the Straits Echo on Monday the manager of the United Cinema expressed the view that the craze for talkies "will not fizzle out."

Film producers, he said, were making more and more talkies.

The time would come when all the good, first rate pictures would be talkies and silent pictures would take second place.

Talkies, continued the Manager,

when properly produced, enabled the Penang public to enjoy the original singing that the performers on the other side of the world had been at pains to register—something which the silent picture did not give.

The progress of education, moreover, had improved the cinema trade.

Whereas some fifty years back boys had not been able to appreciate the pictures, to-day they were fully aware of the advantages of the cinema. They could now appreciate music, they could appreciate singing, and talkies gave them the best of the music and the singing.

Would there not be too many talkie houses in Penang?

The Manager did not have in his mind the number of talkie houses that Penang might boast, but he considered that quality was the main thing.

The theatre which produced a talkie best, enabling the audience to get a perfect tone, would attract the public.

"We want to have the perfect tone," said the Manager, "and please our patrons."

The production of talkies were, of course, more costly, but they were also more profitable.

While the equipment for screening silent pictures cost some \$2,000, that for the reproduction of talkies multiplied the costs by fifteen to twenty.

"LIFTING?"

Alleged Infringement
of Copyright.

Tokyo, May 25. Theodore Saphiere, of 20 Museum Road, proprietor and publisher of The Shanghai Guide, was summoned before Mr. C. G. O. Anderson, yesterday in H.M. Police Court, at the instance of Messrs. Millington, Ltd., for alleged infringement of copyright.

After a preliminary hearing the case was adjourned till Friday next.

The complainant filed by Messrs.

Millington Ltd. reads:

"For that you, Theodore Saphiere, of 20

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prietor and publisher of a publica-

tion known as The Shanghai Guide

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Shanghai Guide, thereby infring-

ing copyright of Millington Ltd.

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and 2 George 5, c 46."

Mr. John McNeill, of Messrs.

Hansons, for Millington, Ltd.,

said: "The prosecution for in-

fringement of copyright of Messrs.

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called The City Directory, Hong

and Homes. The alleged copyright

infringement is contained in a

small book called The Shanghai

Guide. The prosecution was

brought under the Copyright Act

of 1911, Section 11 (c) which reads

as follows: "If any person dis-

tributes infringing copies of any

such work either for purposes of

trade or to such an extent as to

prejudice the owner of the copy-

right, he shall be guilty of the

Act by the Order in Council, Sec-

tion 73.

Mr. M. Reader Harris, defend-

ing, said: "I am going to ask for

an adjournment for a week. The

papers were not served on my

client until ten minutes to five

yesterday afternoon."

Mr. McNeill: "Before we ad-

join, I want to state what my

position is. The Copyright Act is

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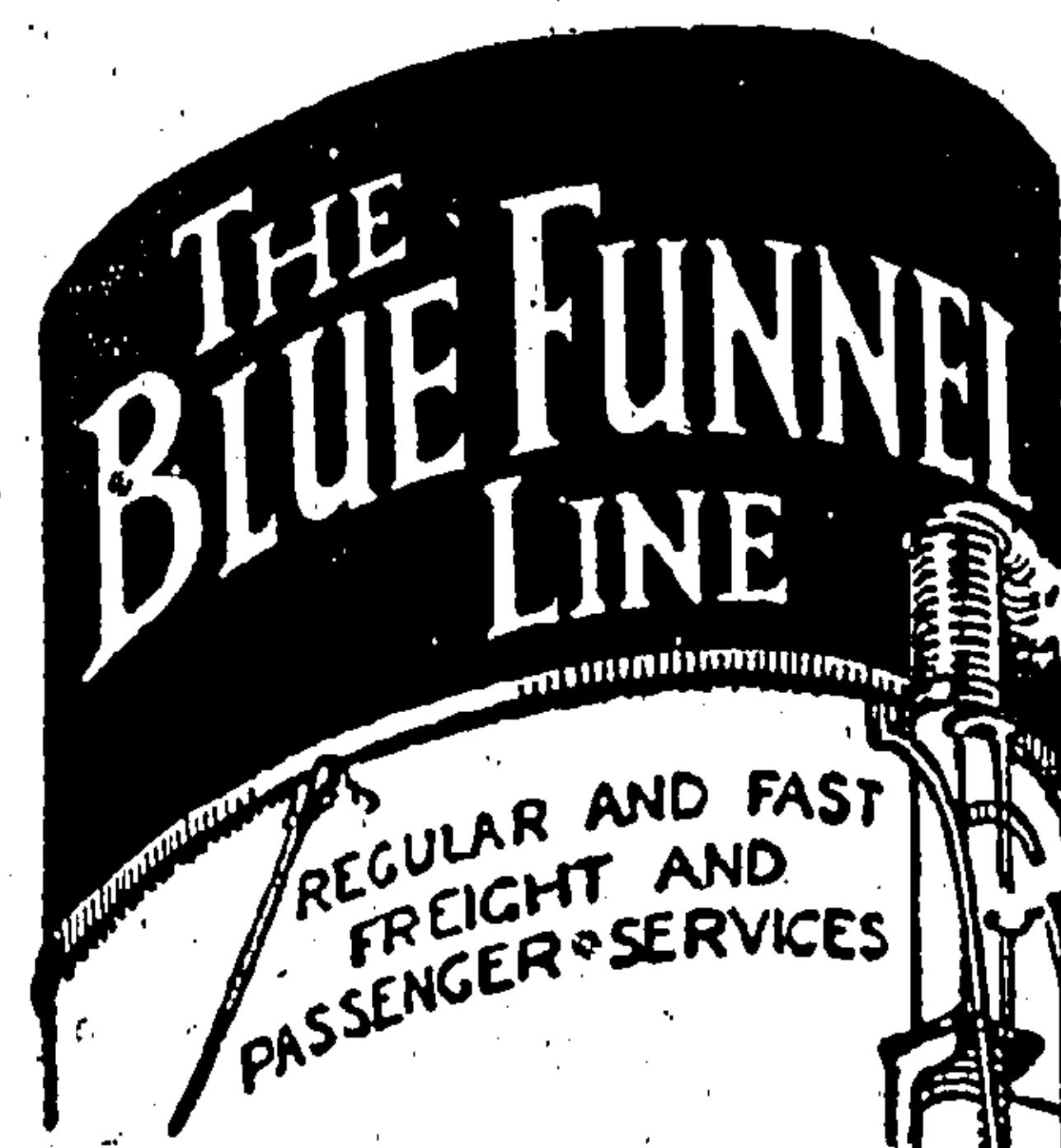
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AIR LINK.

Australia to Pay for Route to Singapore.

£600,000 SHARE.

Canberra, Yesterday. The Premier, Mr. J. Scullin, stated that during his forthcoming visit to Britain for the Imperial Conference he would discuss with Lord Thomson the development of the Britain-to-Australia air service. The Australian Government naturally were sympathetic, but many important considerations must be taken into account, including that of Finance. Australia's share in the subsidy for the Singapore to Australia link would amount to £600,000, spread over five years.—Reuter.

Continental Service.

Rugby, Yesterday.

A conference was held at Liverpool to-day to consider the scheme put forward by Imperial Airways for linking up the great midland centres with London and the Continent. It is proposed that a service be run twice weekly throughout June, July, and August to test the demand for quick transport to Belgium, France, Holland and Germany.—British Wireless Service.

TRIBESMEN MARCH ON PESHAWAR.

THOUSANDS SWEEPING DOWN WITH "RED" STANDARDS.

HAJI TROUBLESOME.

Simla, Yesterday. There has been some increase of unrest among the Northern tribes along the border of the North-West Frontier Province, against which aerial action has been taken, and also against concentrations of the Haji of Turangzai and his son, which are reported to have increased by the arrival of contingents from Bajaur.

The agitation in Tirah has increased. There is a considerable movement among Afridi tribesmen. It is reported that several thousands with "Red" standards are advancing toward Peshawar district. Other tribal districts are quiet.—Reuter.

HARTAL PROCESSIONS.

Bombay, Yesterday. Hartal processions marked the end of Gandhi's first month in gaol.

Thirty cotton mills were closed, and 65,000 workers struck. Some stoned one mill in order to compel workers to come out, and stoned the police who intervened.

Three thousand demonstrated in front of another mill, but were dispersed by the police.—Reuter.

"HEROES ALL."

Memorials to Foch and Wolfe.

LAST WORDS RECALLED.

London, Yesterday. In the presence of Madame Foch and her two daughters, the Prince of Wales unveiled the equestrian statue of the late Marshal Foch in Grosvenor Gardens, facing Victoria Station.

The Prince quoted the Marshal's words, just before his death.—"I am conscious of having served Britain as if she had been my own country." He added that France and Britain will never forget.

The Marquis De Montcalm, a descendant of General Wolfe's famous opponent, unveiled the Wolfe memorial in Greenwich Park, in the presence of the Duke of Connaught and many representatives of the great families of Britain and France, also Canadian official representatives and Imperial Press Conference delegates.—Reuter.

A GREAT TEACHER.

Rugby, Yesterday. Unveiling a statue of Marshal Foch in Grosvenor Gardens the Prince of Wales paid an impressive tribute to the great soldier. He said: "Marshal Foch may rightly be regarded as the greatest military teacher of his time. Yet to the end, as he himself said, he never ceased to be a learner, for he was one of those to whom the work of to-day, however unimportant, is chiefly valuable as a preparation for the work of to-morrow. Just as success won, defeat never failed him, so a reverse was powerless at any time or in any degree to depress him."

The Prince mentioned that shortly before his death Marshal Foch had said that he was conscious of having served Britain as if she had been his own country. The Prince added that history would assign to Marshal Foch his rightful place among those Commanders whose names were immortal and whose memories would never fade.

Simple Ceremony. The unveiling was a simple ceremony. The Prince, in the uniform of the Welsh Guards, walked over to where Madame Foch and her two daughters sat, shook hands with them and talked for a moment. His Royal Highness then pulled a cord, and two flags, the Tricolour and the Union Jack, fell apart, disclosing the bronze statue of Marshal Foch. The Last Post was sounded while the Prince stood at attention. The Duke of Connaught, the veteran soldier, was present, together with two men who took a great part in the War, Mr. Lloyd George and Earl Jellicoe.

Representatives of Great Britain, Canada and France attended in large numbers the ceremony of unveiling the statue of General Wolfe, which is a gift from Canada to Great Britain. The memorial occupies a commanding site opposite the Royal Conservatory Clock in Greenwich Park.

The ceremony was performed by the Marquis de Montcalm, who is a descendant of the French General whom Wolfe defeated at Quebec in 1759. The Duke of Connaught, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and Mr. George Lansbury, First Commissioner of Works, were present in addition to a distinguished gathering of members of historic families associated with the occasion. A message from the King was read, in which His Majesty expressed to the people of Canada his gratitude for the act of generosity which had enabled so great an event in the annals of this country to be fittingly commemorated on the historic banks of the River Thames.—British Wireless Service.

GRAF ZEPPELIN.

Arrival at Madrid from Seville.

Madrid, Yesterday. The Graf Zeppelin arrived here from Seville at 2 p.m.—Reuter.

A man was proudly exhibiting to a friend his new car, a popular model of a British firm. "Ah," said his friend, "so you've got one of these. I should have thought you would have gone in for something—well, a little more uncommon."

"It is 'uncommon,'" retorted the owner, indignantly. "In fact, it's unique. It's paid for."

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